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PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS

Appl. No. : 10/516,405 Confirmation No. 2828
Applicant : Demmer et al.
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Removing Proteases From Liquids
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RESPONSE

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 28, 2006, applicants hereby elect with
traverse the following species from claim 13:

- (a) bestatin (protease inhibitor capable of binding with a metaloprotease);
- (b) leupeptin (protease inhibitor capable of binding with a cystein protease); and
- (c) p-aminobenzamidine (protease inhibitor capable of binding with a serine
protease).